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SUBJECT: 30TH UNGA - FAILURE OF GROUP OF 13 TO GET COMPROMISE

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ON KOREAN QUESTION

REF: USUN 5556

1. AT NOVEMBER 6 MEETING OF WORKING GROUP (WG) ON PRO-CEDURAL TACTICS FOR FRIENDLY RESOLUTION ON KOREA, JAPAN REPORTED CONVERSATION WITH SINGAPORE'S PERM REP KOH ABOUT STATUS OF WORK OF GROUP OF 13 (SWEDEN, AUSTRIA, ASEANS, DENMARK, NORWAY, FIJI, PAPUA-NEW GUINEA, TUNISIA, AND NEPAL) WHICH HAS BEEN TRYING TO EFFECT COMPROMISE ON "QUESTION OF KOREA".

2. ACCORDING JAPAN, GROUP OF 13 HAD ABANDONED HOPE OF ACHIEVING COMPROMISE IN FACE OF NORTH KOREAN INTRANSIGENCE.

3. JAPAN ADDED THAT, ACCORDING TO KOH, GROUP OF 13 DID NOT FAVOR INITIATIVE ON GROUP'S PART TO MAKE "QUESTION OF KOREA" AN "IMPORTANT QUESTION" IN PLENARY VOTING.

4. JAPAN CONTINUED THAT, INSTEAD, GROUP OF 13 IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING DRAFTING AN "APPEAL" WHICH THEY WOULD INVITE OTHERS TO COSIGN. APPEAL WOULD HAVE PREAMBULAR AND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS AND PRESUMABLY WOULD BE BROUGHT OUT AFTER THE TWO RESOLUTIONS HAVE BEEN ADOPTED IN PLENARY. PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPHS WOULD COVER FOLLOWING: (1) WOULD NOTE THAT TWO RESOLUTIONS HAD BEEN ADOPTED; (2) WOULD STRESS THAT KOREAN QUESTION IS FOR KOREAN PEOPLE THEMSELVES TO DECIDE, AND (3) WOULD UNDERLINE NEED TO MAINTAIN ARMISTICE AFTER DIS-SOLUTION OF U.N. COMMAND. OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH WOULD APPEAL TO THE PARTIES DIRECTLY CONCERNED TO EXERCISE RESTRAINT AND THEREBY CONTRIBUTE TO REDUCTION OF TENSIONS IN KOREA.

5. KOH ALSO TOLD JAPANESE THAT GROUP OF 13 INTENDS TO TABLE DRAFT RESOLUTION ON KOREA EARLY NEXT SPRING WHICH WOULD HAVE PRIORITY AT 31ST UNGA.

6. SEVERAL OF WG HAD REPORT THAT AUSTRALIA MIGHT SOON AUGMENT GROUP OF 13. ADDITIONALLY, THERE WAS MUCH CONFIRMATION THAT GROUP OF 13 HAD MET TOTAL INTRANSIGENCE FROM OTHER SIDE.

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7. WG EMPHASIZED THAT, FOLLOWING HOSTILE SIDE'S REJECTION OF COMPROMISE EFFORT, THE GROUP OF 13 SHOULD BE LOBBIED TO SUPPORT FRIENDLY POSITION AS FAR AS POSSIBLE IN PLENARY VOTING WHICH IS EXPECTED TO TAKE PLACE ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 18. WG CONSIDERED IT DESIRABLE IN THIS REGARD FOR FRIENDLY SIDE TO RECOGNIZE SINCERE EFFORT BY GROUP OF 13 TO GET A COMPROMISE.

8. FRANCE NOTED THAT ADMISSION OF COMOROS TO UN (EXPECTED
NOVEMBER 12) WOULD ADD ANOTHER VOTE FOR HOSTILE POSITION.
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